

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

OLIVER VAUGHN:DOUCE,

Plaintiff,

v.

NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CHILD  
PROTECTION AND  
PERMANENCY, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 20-2619 (MAS) (TJB)


**MEMORANDUM ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court upon Plaintiff Oliver Vaughn:Douce's ("Plaintiff") application to proceed without prepayment of fees pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Appl., ECF No. 1-4). Plaintiff's Application is incomplete and deficient in numerous respects. First, Plaintiff failed to comply with the application's instructions, which require applicants to "[c]omplete all questions in [the] application. . . . Do not leave any blanks: if the answer to a question is '0,' 'none,' or 'not applicable (N/A),' write that response." (Appl. 1.) Plaintiff's Application repeatedly and inconsistently uses dashes rather than the appropriate notations. (*See id.*) Second, Plaintiff identifies \$183 of spousal income and \$322 of spousal expenses, but does not list individual spousal expenses. (*Id.* at 4-5.) Third, in response to question #8, Plaintiff identifies \$322 in total expenses but the figures listed in the corresponding columns add up to \$278, rather than \$322. (*Id.*) Finally, Plaintiff submitted documentation regarding monthly benefits of \$322 but did not disclose these benefits under the income section. (*Id.* at 1-2.) Based on Plaintiff's incomplete and inaccurate responses, the Court finds good cause to deny Plaintiff's Application. Accordingly,

IT IS on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020 **ORDERED** that:

1. Plaintiff's Application (ECF No. 1-4) is **DENIED**.

2. The Clerk shall close this matter.
3. By **July 2, 2020**, Plaintiff may submit a new application. **Plaintiff must comply with the instructions provided in the application.** Alternatively, by **July 2, 2020**, Plaintiff may submit the \$400 filing fee, and the Clerk will reopen the matter.

  
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**MICHAEL A. SHIPP**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**